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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims:

- (Previously presented) A stent, comprising: 1.
- a member including
  - a first portion; and
  - a second portion disposed outwardly of the first portion and having
- a first layer including a radiopaque material that is more radiopaque than the first portion,
- a second layer comprising an alloy comprising the radiopaque material and a second material, and
  - a third layer comprising an oxidized form of the alloy.
  - 2. (Canceled)
  - 3. (Canceled)
- (Original) The stent of claim 1, wherein the radiopaque material is selected from 4. the group consisting of gold, platinum, palladium, and tantalum.
- (Original) The stent of claim 1, wherein the second material is selected from the 5. group consisting of titanium, chromium, palladium, niobium, and silicon.

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- 6. (Original) The stent of claim 1, wherein the first portion comprises a material selected from the group consisting of stainless steel and nickel-titanium alloy.
- 7. (Original) The stent of claim 1, wherein the first portion is the innermost portion of the member.
- 8. (Original) The stent of claim 1, wherein the first portion contacts the second portion.
- 9. (Original) The stent of claim 1, further comprising a third portion between the first portion and the second portion.
- 10. (Original) The stent of claim 1, further comprising a polymeric layer on the member.
- 11. (Original) The stent of claim 1, further comprising a drug-releasing layer on the member.
  - 12. (Previously presented) A stent, comprising:

a member including

a first portion having

a first layer including a radiopaque material, and

a second layer comprising an alloy comprising the radiopaque material

and a second material, and

a third layer comprising an oxidized form of the alloy.

13-42. (Canceled)

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43. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 12, wherein the radiopaque material is selected from the group consisting of gold, platinum, palladium, and tantalum.

- 44. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 12, wherein the second material is selected from the group consisting of titanium, chromium, palladium, niobium, and silicon.
- 45. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 12, wherein the third layer is the outermost layer.
- 46. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 12, further comprising a polymeric layer on the member.
- 47. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 12, further comprising a drug-releasing layer on the member.
- 48. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 12, wherein the oxidized form of the alloy comprises an oxide, a nitride, or a carbide.
- 49. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 12, wherein the oxidized form of the alloy comprises an oxide.
- 50. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 1, wherein the oxidized form of the alloy comprises an oxide, a nitride, or a carbide.
- 51. (Previously presented) The stent of claim 1, wherein the oxidized form of the alloy comprises an oxide.

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## 52. (New) A stent, comprising:

a member including

an innermost first portion; and

a second portion disposed outwardly of the first portion and having

a first layer including a radiopaque material that is more radiopaque than the first portion,

a second layer comprising an alloy comprising the radiopaque material and a second material, wherein at least one of the radiopaque material and the second material comprises iridium, and

a third layer comprising an oxidized form of the alloy, the oxidized form comprising an oxide.